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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
AND AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE
DEPOSIT ACCOUNT THEREFOR

Dear Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated September 19, 2007 for (3) months from December 19, 2007 to March 19, 2007. An Amendment responding to the aforesaid Office Action is being filed concurrently herewith.

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Respectfully submitted,

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